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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the office communication dated August 23, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application. The three-month shortened statutory period for response to the communication was set to expire on November 23, 2006. Upon acceptance of the accompanying fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1), the period for response is extended to February 23, 2007. Accordingly, Applicants believe that this response is timely filed.

Should any additional fee be due, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge such fees to deposit account No. 50-2350. Should no separate, or an incorrect, petition for an extension of time accompany this communication, Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 to make submission of the papers submitted herewith timely and authorize payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2350.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: